



## City of Gaithersburg Press Release

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### For Immediate Release

### **Brad Smith Named “Great Gaithersburg Pumpkin-Off” Champion**

**Gaithersburg, MD (October 14, 2021)** The final round of the Great Gaithersburg Pumpkin-Off Challenge was held on October 7 as part of the Casey Farmers Market Fall Festival. Brad Smith, of Rockville, won first place with his recipe for “Ginger-Chai Pumpkin Bread with Cinnamon Glaze.” The other two finalists were Jennifer Bernedo and Erin Moran, both of Gaithersburg.

In addition to being named the “Great Gaithersburg Pumpkin-Off Champion,” Brad won a Gaithersburg Prize Pack featuring tickets to City classes and events. All three finalists won \$25 gift certificates to the Casey Farmers Market, provided by Market Money sponsor Red Carpet Remodeling. See Brad’s [winning recipe](#) on the Casey Community Center Instagram account [@caseycommunitycenterburg](#).

Ready to show off your holiday cookie baking skills? We’re now accepting entries for the Great Gaithersburg Cookie-Off. Apply [here](#) to submit up to three original cookie recipes for a chance to be named the greatest cookie baker in the land. The winner will receive a Gaithersburg prize package and the title of Great Gaithersburg Cookie-Off Champion. Recipe submissions are due November 12 and finalists will be announced on November 26. Tasting and judging will take place at the Casey Winter Farmers Market on Thursday, December 2, where the winner will be announced.

For information visit [www.gaithersburgmd.gov](http://www.gaithersburgmd.gov) or call 301-258-6366. Follow us on Facebook [@CaseyCommunityCenter](#).

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